



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
Group Art Unit -- 2186
Examiner -- Hong Chong Kim

March 27, 2006

In re Application of Kelvin S. Vartti et al.
Title: System and Method for Maintaining
Coherency within a Multi-Processor Data
Processing System
Serial No.: 10/600,880

Filed: 6/20/03
Allowed: 3/7/06
File No.: RA 5614
Customer # 27516

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Mail Stop Issue Fee
Commissioner for Patents
P O Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Examiner's statement of Reasons for Allowance implies that the claimed invention was allowed because the prior art did not disclose specific elements. The elements characterized by the Examiner, however, even if found in the prior art, would not render the claimed invention invalid under 35 USC §102 because the claimed invention includes a number of limitations not addressed in the Reasons for Allowance. With respect to 35 USC §103, the requirements of establishing a *prima facie* case of obviousness including (1) a showing that the prior art teaches the entire claimed invention where all limitations are to be considered, and (2) that combining various prior art references is (a) suggested in the art and (b) there would be motivation to make the combination, with a likelihood of success, have not been satisfied.

Unless otherwise advised, these comments are intended, to be clarifying in a manner consistent with the law.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth L. McMahon

Beth L. McMahon
Attorney for Applicant
Unisys Corporation (MS 4773)
P O Box 64942
St. Paul, MN 55164-0942
Reg. No.: 41,987
Tel. No.: (651) 635-7893

BLM/eav

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited in the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: MS Issue Fee, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 27, 2006.

Emily Vogt
Legal Secretary

Emily Vogt
Signature

March 27, 2006
Date of Signature